

**PARISH OF VERMILION,  
STATE OF LOUISIANA  
CERTAIN FINANCIAL AND STATISTICAL DATA**

**Population of the Parish**

The population growth trend of the Parish of Vermilion is as follows:

<b>YEAR</b>	<b>PARISH POPULATION</b>	<b>STATE POPULATION</b>
1950	37,750	2,683,516
1960	38,855	3,257,022
1970	43,071	3,644,637
1980	48,458	4,205,900
1990	50,055	4,219,973
1991	50,197	4,251,560
1992	50,476	4,287,195
1993	50,574	4,295,477
1994	50,786	4,315,085
1995	50,755	4,339,352
1996	51,108	4,350,579
1997	51,318	4,351,769
1998	51,244	4,368,967

Sources: US Census; Louisiana Tech University, January, 1999.

**Population of Municipalities**

The population growth trends of the municipalities in the Parish of Vermilion are as follows:

<b>YEAR</b>	<b>ABBEVILLE</b>	<b>DELCAMBRE</b>	<b>ERATH</b>	<b>GUEYDAN</b>	<b>KAPLAN</b>	<b>MAURICE</b>
1960	10,414	1,027	2,019	2,156	5,267	411
1970	10,996	1,200	2,024	1,984	5,540	476
1980	12,391	1,538	2,259	1,695	5,016	478
1990	11,187	1,272	2,428	1,611	4,535	432
1991	11,204	1,440	2,454	1,619	4,560	423
1992	11,204	1,433	2,445	1,674	4,571	442
1993	11,798	1,442	2,429	1,695	4,601	453
1994	11,887	1,447	2,455	1,706	4,729	478
1995	11,929	1,486	2,473	1,708	5,019	497
1996	12,097	1,462	2,478	1,708	5,079	503
1997	13,047	1,496	2,475	1,703	5,289	495
1998	13,313	1,504	2,487	1,716	5,300	504

Sources: US Census; Louisiana Tech University, January, 1999.

## **ECONOMIC INDICATORS**

### **Personal Income**

The Bureau of Economic Analysis of the US Department of Commerce publishes personal income data. The most recent revised per capita income figures for the Parish, Louisiana and the United States are as follows:

<b>YEAR</b>	<b>PARISH</b>	<b>LOUISIANA</b>	<b>UNITED STATES</b>
1990	\$11,843	\$14,281	\$18,666
1991	\$11,933	\$15,079	\$19,201
1992	\$12,318	\$15,817	\$20,137
1993	\$13,627	\$17,133	\$21,220
1994	\$14,672	\$18,086	\$22,056
1995	\$15,489	\$18,826	\$23,059
1996	\$16,461	\$19,609	\$24,164
1997	\$17,303	\$20,458	\$25,288

Source: US Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis, October, 1998.

### **Retail Sales**

According to the *Survey of Buying Power*, estimated retail sales by category in Vermilion Parish were as follows:

*(In Thousands)*

<b>Year</b>	<b>Total Retail Sales</b>	<b>Food</b>	<b>Eat/Drink</b>	<b>Gen Mdse</b>	<b>Furn/Appl</b>	<b>Auto</b>
1991	\$213,954	\$71,144	\$13,377	\$20,175	\$2,792	\$42,635
1992	\$224,336	\$70,261	\$14,969	\$23,164	\$3,277	\$41,311
1993	\$235,597	\$70,586	\$15,854	\$30,703	\$3,030	\$42,411
1994	\$301,454	\$94,085	\$21,044	\$32,630	\$4,030	\$69,215
1995	\$330,437	\$101,053	\$22,797	\$34,800	\$3,392	\$82,863
1996	\$356,857	\$108,859	\$26,181	\$34,253	\$3,779	\$84,760
1997	\$373,877	\$112,790	\$29,920	\$36,940	\$4,551	\$87,234

(Note: The retail sales statistics in the 1995 edition of the *Survey of Buying Power*, which lists data for 1994, are based on newly published benchmark data from the 1992 Census of Retail Trade (CRT). Prior to this year, retail figures reported in the Survey were based on data from the 1987 Census [unlike the general Census, the CRT is conducted in five year intervals]. Whenever such an adjustment is made, trends in lines that fall across benchmark year are often skewed, a fact readers should keep in mind when comparing retail sales figures for 1994 and thereafter to those from prior years.

Source: Sales and Marketing Management, Survey of Buying Power, August, 1998.

## SALES TAXES

### Sales Taxes Levied in the Parish

The following is a summary, by area, of sales and use tax rates levied within the Parish of Vermilion as of 12/31/98.

<b>Entity/Area</b>	<b>Parish-Wide Tax</b>	<b>Municipal Tax</b>	<b>Total Local Tax</b>	<b>State Tax</b>	<b>Total Sales Tax</b>
VERMILION PARISH	2.75		2.75	4	6.75
ABBEVILLE	2.75	1.25	4	4	8
DELCAMBRE	2.75	1	3.75	4	7.75
ERATH	2.75	1	3.75	4	7.75
GUEYDAN	2.75	1	3.75	4	7.75
KAPLAN	2.75	1	3.75	4	7.75
MAURICE	2.75	1.5	4.25	4	8.25

Source: Louisiana Department of Revenue and Taxation, Sales Tax Division, January, 1999.

### Taxable Sales

Sales and use taxes are levied by various entities at various rates throughout the Parish. The following figures represent the tax base of a broad-based sales and use tax levied on a parishwide basis.

<i>(In Thousands)</i>					
<b>Month</b>	<b>1994</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>1996</b>	<b>1997</b>	<b>1998</b>
January	\$28,254	\$39,005	\$40,188	\$34,431	\$43,107
February	\$27,034	\$28,048	\$35,445	\$32,648	\$39,106
March	\$42,445	\$41,569	\$41,260	\$46,126	\$53,015
April	\$31,258	\$38,318	\$35,184	\$35,252	\$43,200
May	\$30,777	\$36,210	\$39,205	\$39,655	\$40,333
June	\$40,415	\$46,922	\$46,922	\$45,463	\$60,233
July	\$29,638	\$32,451	\$36,160	\$41,107	\$40,094
August	\$33,416	\$35,223	\$37,793	\$38,425	\$39,948
September	\$35,140	\$42,706	\$40,179	\$45,029	\$44,000
October	\$32,712	\$33,539	\$34,766	\$46,987	\$45,024
November	\$36,587	\$37,105	\$32,588	\$38,135	\$34,840
December	\$46,893	\$77,490	\$53,424	\$53,424	\$52,982
Annual Total	\$414,571	\$488,586	\$473,115	\$496,681	\$535,882

Source: Oakland Econometrics.

## **PROPERTY TAXES**

### **Assessed Valuation of the Parish**

The recent trend in the assessed valuation of property throughout the Parish of Vermilion is as follows:

<b>Year</b>	<b>Taxable Assessed Valuation</b>	<b>Homestead Exemptions</b>	<b>Total Assessed Valuation</b>
1990	\$147,336,090	\$49,018,610	\$196,354,700
1991	\$154,583,730	\$49,297,580	\$203,881,310
1992	\$152,573,200	\$49,632,400	\$202,205,600
1993	\$156,444,960	\$50,157,270	\$206,602,230
1994	\$158,491,780	\$50,800,630	\$209,292,410
1995	\$161,535,430	\$51,875,170	\$213,410,600
1996	\$167,918,880	\$53,018,210	\$220,937,090
1997	\$173,179,220	\$54,067,780	\$227,247,000
1998	\$176,340,360	\$55,381,680	\$231,722,040

Source: Vermilion Parish Assessor's Office.

A breakdown of the assessed valuation of the Parish by classification of property is as follows:

<b>Year</b>	<b>Real Estate</b>	<b>Personal Property</b>	<b>Public Service</b>
1990	\$84,061,530	\$82,235,480	\$30,057,690
1991	\$84,665,860	\$88,794,600	\$30,420,850
1992	\$85,106,120	\$87,289,630	\$29,809,850
1993	\$86,141,820	\$90,254,210	\$30,206,200
1994	\$86,731,110	\$92,744,970	\$29,816,330
1995	\$88,793,420	\$95,445,940	\$29,171,240
1996	\$90,910,770	\$100,787,340	\$29,238,980
1997	\$92,904,890	\$104,846,690	\$29,495,420
1998	\$95,214,840	\$106,436,210	\$30,070,990

### **Millage Rates**

The recent trend in the aggregate ad valorem tax rates (in mills) levied on a parishwide basis by various entities within the boundaries of the Parish of Vermilion follows:

<b>Year</b>	<b>Millage</b>
1990	40.22
1991	40.22
1992	42.79
1993	42.22
1994	42.37
1995	42.46
1996	43.16
1997	43.16
1998	62.53

Sources: Louisiana Tax Commission and Vermilion Parish Assessor's Office.

## Leading Taxpayers

The ten largest property taxpayers of the Parish of Vermilion in 1998 and their assessed valuation are as follows:

<b>TAXPAYER</b>	<b>ASSESSED VALUATION</b>
1. BRIDGELINE GAS	\$6,992,530
2. EXXON	\$5,093,310
3. S L E M C O	\$4,492,690
4. BELLSOUTH	\$4,154,170
5. UNOCAL EXPLORATION	\$3,846,830
6. HIBERNIA	\$2,854,130
7. MOBILE OIL E & P	\$2,823,040
8. GULF COAST BANK	\$2,660,230
9. AMOCO PRODUCTION	\$2,609,510
10. LOUISIANA RESOURCE P/L	\$2,221,760

Source: Vermilion Parish Assessor's Office.

## SCHOOL STATISTICS

### Enrollment

The recent trends in public school registration, average daily membership and average daily attendance in the Vermilion Parish school system are as follows:

<b>REGISTRATION</b>	<b>1994-95</b>	<b>1995-96</b>	<b>1996-97</b>	<b>1997-98</b>
AVERAGE DAILY ATTENDANCE	9,181	8,712	9,075	8,908
AVERAGE DAILY MEMBERSHIP	9,759	9,272	9,622	9,429
PUBLIC	10,325	9,660	9,667	9,522

"Average Daily Attendance" reflects the average daily attendance of member public school students during the session. "Average Daily Membership" reflects the average daily count of public school students registered during the session. "Public" reflects the count of public school students registered on the first day of the school year, including pre-kindergarten.

### Expenditures

Expenditure trends for the Vermilion Parish School Board are as follows:

<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>1994-95</b>	<b>1995-96</b>	<b>1996-97</b>	<b>1997-98</b>
MEAN TEACHER SALARY	\$25,631	\$26,391	\$30,026	\$29,037
CURRENT EXPEN PER STUDENT	\$4,172	\$4,295	\$4,839	\$4,588
CAPITAL OUTLAY	\$1,642,109	\$1,421,643	\$1,586,834	\$7,623,244
DEBT SERVICE	\$2,499,779	\$2,416,877	\$2,446,639	\$2,146,907
CURRENT EXPENDITURES	\$40,717,747	\$41,163,467	\$43,516,457	\$43,616,033

Source: Louisiana Department of Education.